

CLAIM AMENDMENT

1. (Amended) A semiconductor integrated circuit system having a plurality of chips and making said plurality of chips transmit and receive signals to and from each other, comprising:
5 a bus selector device connected to said plurality of chips via a plurality of buses,

10 said bus selector device receiving connection information among said plurality of chips and selecting among connections of said plurality of buses in accordance with the connection information, and said bus selector device being provided with latch means for holding signals to be transmitted to or received from said plurality of chips to adjust timings of signal transmission and reception.

15 2. The semiconductor integrated circuit system of claim 1, wherein said bus selector device comprises:

switch means for switching among the connections of said plurality of buses; and

20 determination means for determining the connection information among said plurality of chips received, and for outputting a switch signal in accordance with determination results to said switch means.

✓ 3. (Canceled)

4. The semiconductor integrated circuit system of claim 1, wherein said plurality of chips include at least one master chip and a plurality of slave chips.

5 5. The semiconductor integrated circuit system of claim 4, wherein

said master chip outputs the connection information among said plurality of chips to said bus selector device; and

10 said master chip and said bus selector device are connected to each other with a single bus, said single bus carrying the connection information among said plurality of chips.

6. The semiconductor integrated circuit system of claim 4, wherein

15 said master chip outputs the connection information among said plurality of chips to said bus selector device; and

20 said master chip and said bus selector device are connected to each other with two or more buses, one of said two or more buses carrying the connection information among said plurality of chips.

7. The semiconductor integrated circuit system of claim 6, wherein

25 said two or more buses include a command bus, said command bus being also used as a connection information bus to carry

the connection information among said plurality of chips.

8. The semiconductor integrated circuit system of claim 6, wherein

5 said one of said two or more buses to carry the connection information among said plurality of chips is a specifically designed connection information bus.

9. The semiconductor integrated circuit system of claim 10 1, wherein the connection information among said plurality of chips is composed of a packet.

✓ 10. (Canceled)

15 ✓ 11. (Canceled)

✓ 12. (Canceled)

13. (Amended) A bus selector device connected to a 20 plurality of chips with a plurality of buses and selecting among connections of said plurality of buses, comprising:

switch means for switching among said connections of said plurality of buses;

determination means for receiving and determining 25 connection information among said plurality of chips, and for

outputting a switch signal in accordance with determination results to said switch means;

data input means for receiving data from any one of said plurality of chips;

5 data output means for outputting said data to at least one of said plurality of chips via one of said plurality of buses that is selected by switching of said switch means;

internal buses connected to said plurality of buses; and

a plurality of latch means arranged on said plurality of

10 internal buses.

14. The bus selector device of claim 13 further comprising:

control signal input means for receiving a control signal from one of said plurality of chips for another chip; and

15 control signal output means for outputting said control signal to at least one of said plurality of chips through one of said plurality of buses selected by switching of said switch means.

✓ 15. (Canceled)

20 ✓ 16. (Canceled)